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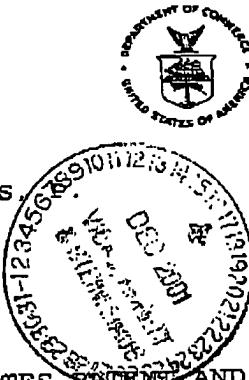
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have invented and own the entire United States right, title and interest in an invention for:

COMBINED BALLOON-EXPANDING AND SELF-EXPANDING STENT

disclosed in my (our) application for United States Letter Patent filed:

- concurrently herewith
 on _____ and assigned Serial No. _____; and

I (we) hereby authorize and request any attorney of Vidas, Arrett & Steinkraus, P.A.,
Suite 2000, 6109 Blue Circle Drive, Minnetonka, MN 55343-9185, to insert the filing date and
application number of said application above when known.

WHEREAS, SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS, INC. ("Assignee"), a corporation
organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Minnesota, and having its
principal place of business at One SciMed Place, Maple Grove, MN 55311, is desirous of acquiring
the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention, to said application for any and all countries,
to any and all Letters Patent, and to any and all Design Letters Patent of any and all countries which
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NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Known that for good and valuable consideration, the
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Dated: 15 Nov. 2001

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Michael John Stephen Austin

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WHEREAS, I(we)

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has co-invented an invention for:

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One Scimed Place
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is desirous of acquiring

- my entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention, to said application for any and all countries, to any and all Letters Patent, and to any and all Design Letters Patent of any and all countries which may be granted thereon;
- entire right, title and interest in the US application described above;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of all of which is hereby acknowledged, I(we) hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto Assignee, its successors, and assigns,

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Date	Inventor Name(s)	Signature
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